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NEARLY \$11,000,000 RECEIVED
FROM ANGLER FEES IN 1941-42

More than \$10,731,000 in fees were paid by anglers for 8,423,218 fishing licenses during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1942, the Fish and Wildlife Service reported today to Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes.

Of the total licenses 7,501,688 were for residents and 921,530 for nonresidents, including aliens.

Although 419,184 more licenses were issued in the 1941-42 season than in the previous year, there was a decrease in revenue reported of \$886,801. This is accounted for by the fact that the 1940-41 figures included the total revenue from combination licenses which permit hunting and trapping as well as fishing, whereas the amount applying to hunting and trapping is not included in this year's report.

Michigan topped the list with 843,953 licenses issued to anglers. Ohio ranked second with 672,817, followed by Minnesota with 581,449; Indiana, 519,604; California, 458,177; Illinois, 446,920; New York, 441,123; Wisconsin, 411,762; Pennsylvania, 403,143; and Missouri, 350,151.

California, however, exceeded all other States in the fees paid for licenses with the receipt of \$932,317. Last year California was in 8th place with New York leading the list. This year New York ranks 6th.

Minnesota was second in 1941-42 with \$921,366. Other high-ranking States included Michigan with \$870,378; Wisconsin, \$733,155; Pennsylvania, \$657,366; New York, \$651,064; Ohio, \$415,875; Indiana, \$379,831; Illinois, \$357,585; and Oregon, \$330,247.

Reports from all the States were as follows: Alabama received \$51,295 for 46,091 licenses; Arizona \$61,583 for 32,488; Arkansas \$90,804 for 45,511; California \$932,317 for 458,177; Colorado \$174,561 for 167,789.

Connecticut \$150,214 for 51,573; Delaware \$6,093 for 2,935; Florida \$114,209 for 80,308; Georgia \$43,876 for 34,681; Idaho \$150,358 for 122,575; Illinois \$357,585 for 446,920; Indiana \$379,831 for 519,604.

Iowa \$210,215 for 233,135; Kansas \$134,285 for 133,205; Kentucky \$69,129

for 65,601; Louisiana \$111,155 for 52,695; Maine \$210,857 for 124,702; Maryland \$36,965 for 25,319; Massachusetts \$249,058 for 145,741; Michigan \$870,378 for 843,953; Minnesota \$921,366 for 581,449; Mississippi \$36,694 for 22,936; Missouri \$301,617 for 350,151; Montana \$124,714 for 107,361; Nebraska \$93,734 for 99,023; Nevada \$23,738 for 14,745; New Hampshire \$161,699 for 85,612.

New Jersey \$172,131 for 83,990; New Mexico \$88,473 for 39,761; New York \$651,064 for 441,123; North Carolina \$97,874 for 69,967; North Dakota \$10,624 for 21,247; Ohio \$415,875 for 672,817.

Oklahoma \$195,518 for 152,985; Oregon \$330,247 for 126,272; Pennsylvania \$657,366 for 403,143; Rhode Island \$16,107 for 13,495; South Carolina \$18,056 for 14,732; South Dakota \$61,513 for 54,839; Tennessee \$159,896 for 151,593; Texas \$90,427 for 91,108; Utah \$87,024 for 58,845; Vermont \$103,563 for 70,989.

Virginia \$157,507 for 148,019; Washington \$303,254 for 237,669; West Virginia \$204,746 for 192,615; Wisconsin \$733,155 for 411,762; and Wyoming with \$107,890 for 71,967.